

SECRET PRACTICE BEGINS AT A. & M.

Team Working Hard in Preparation for Remainder of Games on Schedule.

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West Raleigh, N. C., October 16.—The A. & M. football team has been going through the stiffest kind of practice in preparation for the remainder of the games on the schedule, the practice continuing till long after dark. Secret practice commenced this week for the purpose of working out new plays and formations. The practice generally ends with a few minutes of stiff scrimmage, and the varsity backfield has been tearing the scrub line down, making several touchdowns each afternoon. Although the varsity did not run up much of a score against the Virginia Medical College last Saturday, the team is working every man on the team in good condition except Phillips, who hurt his shoulder in practice last week, but he will be all right within the next week.

Saturday afternoon Davidson College will be played here, and although the Red and White should have no trouble in running up several touchdowns against the Presbyterians, they are not overconfident, as the Davidson team always puts up a good, hard fought game, and always have a fighting team. Last year the Red and White defeated the Presbyterians by one touchdown, and the game on Saturday will no doubt be a fast contest. The team this year averages about 174 pounds, the line being lighter than last year's line averaging about 175 pounds. The backfield is much faster and heavier than last year's line, and is practicing about 177 pounds.

After Saturday's game will come the hardest game on the Red and White schedule, when the Georgetown University team will be played the next Thursday, this being one of the big attractions of the State Fair.

OFFICIALS CHOSEN FOR BIG CONTESTS

New Haven, Conn., October 16.—Officials for the Yale-Harvard and Yale-Princeton football games were announced to-night by Captain Ketchum. The officials were arranged through the agency of the central officials' board for the first time, although Yale and Princeton had the same set for determining the list. The same set was selected for both games and will be at New Haven.

Umpire—William S. Langford, Trinity College.
Referee—Nell Snow, University of Michigan.
Linesman—David Pultz, Brown.
This is the same line used by Yale and Harvard last season. It proved very satisfactory last year.

Langford is the former Trinity captain. He has officiated at more important games than any other official. Snow made a reputation upon the Yale-Princeton game last year, when he was selected as referee. Pultz is the former Brown University half back and was the president of the Players' Protective Association.



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GAME ON SATURDAY AGAINST HOPKINS

Washington and Lee Squad, Seventeen Strong, Will Leave for Baltimore To-Day.

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Lexington, Va., October 16.—The Washington and Lee University football squad, seventeen strong, will leave for Baltimore on Friday at noon in a special car. On Saturday it will meet the Johns Hopkins eleven. Immediately after the game the squad will go to Washington, where it will remain until Sunday morning, when it will return to Lexington.

Besides the seventeen players there will be two coaches, Dowd and Mooney, as well as Manager Hanna. The players who will make the trip are Miles and Shultz, tackles; Miller, Blingall and Braun, guards; Barrow and Nebitt, centers; Heatt, Barker, Seelye and Nolley ends; Young, Lile and Miller, halves; Bonahue and Smith, quarters; Friend, full back.

White Donovan will be carried along, it is very doubtful whether he will be able to enter the fray because of injuries received in practice during the week. His absence from the line-up will materially weaken the team, for his work during the season has been sensational, both in offensive and defensive play.

Beuhling, the 200-pound full back of the 1912 eleven, will not go on the trip, due to the fact that he has not yet reported for practice on account of injuries.

With Donovan and Beuhling on the injured list, the White and Blue squad will be minus some of its scoring power, but the forwards are all in good condition and the team is determined to make a good showing against the Hopkins warriors at Homewood.

BOWLING

Great interest is being shown by the local bowlers in the double tournament which began last night on the Newport Alley. The first night's bowling proved to be of sensational interest, as the Davidson team, White and Blue, were the first team to go on the drives, and both sides put up a big game.

Davidson, who is open to all bowlers, is held with a majority of 12 pins over their opponents in the five-game series. White and Blue, who are the second team, are out of the five games over the double century mark, with a grand average of 219. This is a record for the team, and is a very high mark for a two-team team. The Davidson team has been offered to the team which makes the highest total in ten games to be played before Tuesday night, November 4. The Davidson team consists of one class A and class B bowler.

Following are last night's scores:

Team	1st Team	2nd Team	3rd Team	4th Team	5th Team	Total
Whitman, class A	150	174	225	206	215	1,070
Burch, class B	135	146	147	112	152	792
Totals	285	320	372	318	367	1,762

PLEADS NOT GUILTY.
Colonel R. M. Thompson Released in Two Thousand Dollars Bail for Trial.

New York, October 16.—Colonel Robert M. Thompson, Wall Street broker, pleaded not guilty to-day to a supervising indictment in the Federal court, charging him with conspiracy with James A. Patten and others to corner the cotton crop of 1909. The other defendants had pleaded not guilty to the indictment. Colonel Thompson was released in \$2,000 bail for trial.

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New York, October 16.—Francis Inch, the boyish-looking Briton who commanded the burned steamer Voltorno, came to port to-night, bringing with him a party of survivors, passengers and crew of his ill-fated vessel. His story of the disaster, in which 132 lives were lost, had preceded him by wireless, but in a cabin of the steamship, Captain Inch told his tale in simple, phrased and modestly-spoken detail that described still more vividly the panorama of the Voltorno's loss and the rescue of more than 500 of those she had on board.

Cowardice there was none on the Voltorno, either among officers or crew, Inch said. There was no rush for him to warn them by the use of a revolver. His revolver was in a drawer in his cabin, and it burned with the ship, and no one on board drew a revolver. These statements he intended should refute the charges of cowardice by passengers who arrived yesterday on the Grosz Kurfer.

Makes No Criticism.
The Voltorno's master, besides defending his own officers and men, said he had no criticism to make of the tactics of any of the boats that also were here. "The Carmania did its best, the same as the others," he said. "There is nothing but praise for every one. I didn't expect a boat could live in those seas when the Carmania and the other first few ships came up. The Carmania did drop a boat," Inch declared, "but it could not get near, for the Voltorno drifted faster than the crew could row."

Eighteen cabin and two steerage passengers entered the first lifeboat that ventured to leave the Voltorno. Only enough of the crew stepped into it, Inch said, to keep it afloat. The rest of the crew were in the water. All in it were drowned, except Chief Officer Miller and a steward.

Into the next boat went thirty passengers and ten sailors. This boat got away, but it was not heard from. The third boat took off forty, ten of them sailors. As she settled into the water ten more jumped aboard from the Voltorno's deck. A wave swept it under the Voltorno's stern. She just sat on it and crushed it out of sight, said Inch. "The boat's down, and was the only one to escape."

Denies Steerage Stories.
Inch denied reports of rotting tackle and fire hose and of unsanitary conditions, all of which were in good condition, he said. He also denied stories of steerage passengers that women were swept overboard and babies trampled on in a rush, and that he was sent to the Grosz Kurfer's first boat.

"Before I climbed down I went over the ship to see if any one remained," Inch said. "The fire had eaten its way beyond amidships under the decks. I found no one alive, though there were bodies in the forecastle, men who had been cut off and burned to death. I went to the rail with my dog, wrapping it in a blanket. I leaned over. 'Here,' I said, 'catch my baby.' I dropped the dog into the arms of a Kroonland officer in the lifeboat. He opened the blanket tenderly. 'Why, it's a dog,' he said. 'I thought it was your kid.'"

Inch's three "kids" and their mother are in London. One of his first acts upon arriving here was to send them a cablegram. Their father went thirty-six hours without eating or drinking, refusing to leave the boat of fire-fighting. A blast of heat blinded his eyes with pain, and the doctor gave him medical attention after being rescued. They had to drop cocaine into his eyes before he could see again.

Among the survivors on the Kroonland were three children, the whereabouts of their parents unknown.

Seamen's Bill in Senate.
Washington, October 16.—Safety at sea for travelers and improved working conditions for sailors in merchant ships were taken up in the Senate to-day when debate began on the seamen's servitude bill.

The Voltorno disaster figured prominently in the discussion.

FLOWER DIRECT POWERED PECT

Lexington, October 16.—The bay mare Flower Direct won the Cumberland stakes for 2:05 pacers here to-day. She was favored to over Walter Cochato, Longworth B and Jones Cochato, but was beaten by the first-named horse in a close finish in the first heat. Jim Todd captured the 2:20 trot and the 2:15 trot went to Bright Axworthy, f. Schlesinger, of Vienna, Austria, to-day purchased from W. G. Young, of Charleston, W. Va., the three-year stallion, Don Cheval, 2:05 3-4, winner of the horse review futurity and championship stallion stakes. The purchase price was not announced, but is said to have been in the neighborhood of \$20,000.

Summary:
2:15 class—trotting, three in five; purse, \$1,000:
Bright Axworthy, b. g., by Axworthy, f. Schlesinger, 1 1 1
Modine, b. m. (McCarthy) 2 2 2
Berta, b. m. (McCarthy) 3 3 3
Grace Hussey, b. m. (Shepard) 4 4 4
Vaster, The Student, Louise Medium, Expectation, Lee Blossom, Helen Willstar, Ed Freda, Todd, Sadie Baron also started. Best time, 2:05 3-4.

2:05 class—pacing, three-in-five; stake, \$2,000.
Flower Direct, b. m., by Di-rect, Star (Whitehead), 1 1 1
Walter Cochato, blk. h., b. Cochato (Legg) 1 2 3 2
Longworth B, b. h. (Murphy) 3 3 4 3
Gentry, b. g. (Murray) 4 4 2 5
Best time, 2:04 1-2.

2:20 class—trotting, three-in-five; purse, \$1,000:
Jim Todd, br. h., by Todd (Andrews) 1 1 1
Fast Tramp, to h. (McDonald) 3 2 3
Palmer DeForest, b. g. (Osborne) 5 3 2 2
Jay Mac, b. g. (Bowerman) 4 4 4
Sir John, The Mason, and Walter also started. Best time, 2:08 1-4.

2:10 class—pacing, three-in-five; stake, \$2,000.
Frank Bonash, Jr., b. g., by Frank Bonash, Jr. (Murphy) 1 1 1
Del Rey, b. h. (Cox) 2 2 2
Herman Wenger, b. c. (Valentine) 3 3 3
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"Among those arriving on the Kroonland were husbands who had lost their wives, sons and daughters, and women who had lost their husbands and children.

Captain Inch had almost entirely recovered from the effects of the twenty-seven-hour battle against the fire and sea, but he still complained of a pain in his left eye, which was badly burned when a sheet of flame poured from Hatch No. 2. He insisted that he was not a hero, and named a score of men, many whose names he did not know, as deserving of equal praise for the rescue of the 521.

The praise which was heaped upon the head of Captain Inch was nullified, in his opinion, by the fact that there had been a loss of life, and that he had lost his vessel. In brief, he was the calmest, most self-deprecative hero New York has ever welcomed.

Survivors in Philadelphia.
Philadelphia, October 16.—The North German Lloyd liner Seydlitz, arrived here to-night with forty-six survivors of the Voltorno on board. Of this number eighteen were men passengers, six were women, six children and sixteen members of the crew. All but one could read, and all but one were from an opera company, were steerage passengers.

Many of the survivors told of seeing scenes of men and women and a few children struggling in the water during the early morning. Some passengers, either jumping or being thrown overboard, and were endeavoring to keep afloat until some of the lifeboats could reach them. Jacques Cohen, of Baltimore, said he was sure a large number of the passengers drowned before the lifeboats reached the Voltorno.

"Very few of the passengers would jump when the rescuers first wanted them to," said Cohen. "But when it looked as though the ship were about to sink many began to jump. The only lifeboat I could see must have been nearly a mile away, and it was a long time before it reached us."

ASSESSED FOR TAXES.
County of Princess Anne Gets Back at Toll-Road Owners.

Norfolk, Va., October 16.—The County of Princess Anne, getting back at the toll-road owners of the alleged bad condition of the toll-roads, has assessed the toll-roads for ten years past, and the amount of taxes for this period will, it is said, amount to \$10,000. It appears that the toll-roads were never assessed for taxation in the County of Princess Anne. All property not assessed since 1875 can under the Virginia statutes be assessed for taxes that have not been properly assessed.

The commission to value the toll-roads in the Counties of Norfolk and Princess Anne was placed on each of the toll-roads with the view to the purchase and freeing of these roads by the counties met yesterday in the directors' room of the National Bank of Commerce. J. D. Hank appeared for the Princess Anne, and who also want the Camptella Bridge purchased if the Indian Road is to be purchased and freed by the county. Others present were Captain H. C. Marshall, representing Norfolk County; John Roper, Barton Ayers, J. W. Hough, F. C. Johnston, Alvin H. Martin, William Johnson, H. L. Nicholas, W. C. Petree, B. Taylor, H. M. Kerr and John Capps. Frank Lindsay, of Norfolk County, was unavoidably detained.

Mr. Hank asked that the commission in award of \$40,000, designate how much was placed on each of the toll-roads proposed for purchase. It was also asked that the commission report the matter. Colonel Taylor said the information desired would be worked out for Mr. Hank, and that future meeting of the commission will be called.

SHOTS SPECIAL OFFICER.
Zeb Battle in Jail, While Wounded Man Is Rushed to Hospital.

Asheville, N. C., October 16.—A special train left here to-night for Andrews, N. C., to bring in Clifford Single, a young man of that place, who was shot and probably fatally injured this afternoon by Zeb Battle. Battle is in jail at Murphy. Mr. Single was acting as special policeman and tried to arrest Battle, who drew his gun and fired shooting Single in the abdomen. He is being brought to a local hospital for an operation.

Alumnae Elect Officers.
Alexandria, Va., October 16.—The alumnae of St. Mary's Academy have elected these officers to serve for the year: Miss Terina Waters, of Washington, president; Miss Margaret Greene, vice-president; Miss Rose Crilly, secretary; Miss Agnes Gilroy, treasurer; Miss Mildred Helmuth, historian; Miss Alice Hamilton, librarian.

Talking Electrically

Mrs. Jones—Good morning, Mrs. Smith; where are you off to so early this morning?

Mrs. Smith—I am going to the electric showroom of the Virginia Railway and Power Company.

Mrs. Jones—Why, I did not know they had an electric showroom. Where is it?

Mrs. Smith—On the first floor of their new building at Seventh and Franklin Streets.

Mrs. Jones—Is that so? What have they got there?

Mrs. Smith—They have all kinds of electric heating and cooking appliances, and a lady demonstrator who will take pleasure in showing you anything they have.

Mrs. Jones—My! you don't say so; I certainly will have to go there. I have been wanting to know something about an electric iron for some time. What are you going to get?

Mrs. Smith—Why, my husband complained of feeling chilly last night, and it is too early to start the fires, so I am going to get an electric heater they are so nice—you can carry them from room to room.

Mrs. Jones—Good gracious! What a good idea; just what I want. Come in a moment, Mrs. Smith, until I get my hat and I will go with you.

transported in vessels carrying passengers and better precautions against fire at sea should be one of the first and one of the most important questions to be taken up by the international conference that meets in England next month.

Senator Burton suggested that the proposed bill ought to go over until after the international conference, to which this government was sending delegates.

The bill came up to-day under a special agreement, and the vote is to be taken not later than 4 o'clock of next Thursday.

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